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As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that:

This is a divisional patent application of copending U.S. Application Serial No. 09/830,238, filed April 24, 2001, now U.S. Patent No. 6,706,111, issued March 16, 2004.

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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled METHOD FOR PRETREATING COMPONENTS OF A CEMENTITIOUS COMPOSITION TO CONTROL ADSORPTION POTENTIAL, the specification of which is attached hereto.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge my duty to disclose information which is material to the examination and patentability of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

At this time I do claim priority benefits to:

PCT Application No. PCT/US00/21205, filed August 3, 2000; U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/146,854, filed August 3, 1999; and U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/169,657, filed December 8, 1999.

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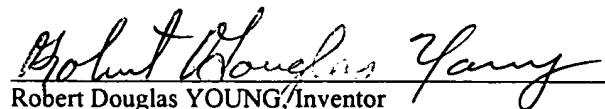
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